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FOR: IMMERSION LENS WITH MAGNETIC SHIELD
FOR CHARGED PARTICLE BEAM SYSTEM

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This Amendment "B" is in response to the Office Action mailed August 27, 2003, having a shortened statutory period for response of November 27, 2003. This Amendment "B" is being submitted within two months of the mailing date of the Office Action, to permit time for an advisory action.

Claims 1 - 29 are pending in the application.

Claims 1 - 16 and 25 - 29 are withdrawn from consideration under a restriction requirement.

Claims 17 - 24 are rejected under 35 USC § 102(b) as being anticipated by U.S. Patent No. 5,079,428, to Da Lin et al.

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